at least one lighting means contained within said housing, said lighting means being activatable by a user when a video conference is occurring and being arranged to illuminate a user of said video conference station;

keypad means for facilitating entry of information by a user for arranging, exiting, and changing parameters of a video conference;

audio means for convexing an audio signal from one or more conferees;

camera means mounted within said housing and directed toward a user of said video conference station; and

payment means for activating said monitor, said audio means, said lighting means, said camera and said keyboard upon entry of payment[, wherein said payment means is operable to receive standard commercial credit cards].

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2. (Amended) The system of claim 1 wherein said payment means is a credit card reading device [operable to receive currency].

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7. (Amended) A video conferencing station for use in a video conferencing system comprising: an outer casing;

display means, lighting means, and a video camera, all being mounted within said outer casing, said video camera and said lighting means being directed towards the same area, said display means being viewable from said same area; and

activating means for activating said display means, said lighting means, and said video camera upon request by a user[; and

payment means for accepting a standard commercial credit card or currency].

10. (Amended) The video conference station of claim 9 further comprising payment means for accepting a credit card and wherein said activating means only operates in response to payment received by said payment means.